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I have the honour to transmit the following message from H.E. Mr. Fernando Jose de Franca Dias Van-Dunem, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Angola, with the request that it be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Afonso VAN DUNEM "MBINDA"
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

Message dated 8 March 1993 from the President of the National Assembly of Angola

The National Assembly of the Republic of Angola, meeting currently in Luanda, having taken note of the United Nations Security Council meeting to discuss the situation in Angola;

Considering the urgent need for the implementation of Security Council resolution 804 (1993), which pointed to UNITA as the principal violator of the Peace Accords of Angola;

Considering the urgent need for the implementation of the guidelines contained in the communiqué of the "Troika" of observers of the Angolan peace process (United States of America, Portugal and the Russian Federation) in their recent meeting in Lisbon, in view of the manifest and continued failure on UNITA's part to abide by the peace process;

Considering that in complying with the Triple Zero option, the elected Angolan Government became a victim of that same option in view of UNITA's violations, with the assistance and intervention of some countries, in particular South Africa and the Republic of Zaire;

Considering the steady worsening of the war situation, with the systematic massacre of people, the destruction of cities and economic and social infrastructures, and the increasing suffering of the Angolans reduced to hunger, thirst and poverty;

It makes an urgent appeal to the United Nations Security Council so that it will take the steps that are required:

(a) To condemn unequivocally the aggressor and violator of the Peace Accords, of the pertinent Security Council resolutions, and of the decisions of the "Troika" of observers;

(b) To release the elected Angolan Government from compliance with the Triple Zero option, acknowledging the right to which it is entitled of having recourse to Article 51 of the Charter of the United Nations, in order to guarantee the security of the defenceless people and the integrity of its borders;

(c) To provide for the adoption of effective international sanctions against UNITA if it does not stop the war immediately and if it fails to conclude, within a reasonable period, the unconditional withdrawal of its troops from all the areas and towns occupied after the 29-30 September 1992 elections, as well as its total billeting and disarmament, in this way creating the conditions for the resumption and conclusion of the Peace Accords.

The President of the National Assembly

(Signed) Fernando Jose de Franca Dias Van-Dunem